SENERAL NEWS OF THE CITY

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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH. VIRGINIA IMMIGRATION ASSOCIATION

APPEAL TO VISITORS AND TRAVELERS. W7.SCONSIN STATE ASSOCIATION BALL.

Miscellaneous Paragraphs of Interest

Weather probabilities, estimated at 1 a. m. in the South Atlantic and East Gulf States In the South Atlantic and East Guif States, northeast to southeast winds, stationary to rising temperature, dold and clear or partly cloudy weather will prevail, with high, followed by falling barometer. In Middle and Eastern States, high, followed by falling barometer, northwesterly winds, shifting to easterly and southerly, evider and clear or partly cloudy weather, succeeded in first section by rising temperature. Thermometric readings taken February 4, 1576, at the Signal Office: 7 a. m., 27°; 7:25 a. m., 26°; 12 m., 31°; 2 p. m., 31°; 4:35 p. m., 32°; pp. m., 24°; 11 p. m., 23°. Maximum, 22°; minimum, 40°; mini

Hebrend's Patent Catarrh Cigar-pure cure. H you want a cook advertise in THE REPUB

Colgate's Violet and Lavender Water at W. S.

Thempson's, 763 Fifteenth street. R. H. Ferguson, pharmacist, corner Second street and Pennsylvania avenus, Capitel Hill. Highest price paid for left-off clothing, boots, those, &c., at Herzeg's, \$17 D street northwest. The I nited States steamer Alert, Commander Marvin, left the navy-yard yesterday for Nortolk. Detectives McElfresh and Sargeant yesterday

recovered a valuable overcoat stolen the night Str per cent. paid on deposits, payable on de-Special rates on time deposits. J. H.

Bouter & Co., bankers. B. D. Cooke, jr., & Co., P street, near th Treasury, do a general banking business and buy and sell District securities &c. The Epights of St. Peter have elected A. J.

Charlie Hurdle denies that he was present a the deg fight, and would like to mee: "that fellow that looked like him" and took his name. The German American Savince bank, carner

wenth and F streets, pays interest on deposits Sale deposit boxes for rent in fire and burglar-proof vault. Citizens and strangers, for anything you want whatever, always consult the Alphabetical Business Directory in The REFE BLICAN, to be found everywhere.

As a reliable and cheap remedy for the various a tections of the throat and lungs, we heartily recommend Dr. Bull's Clough Syrup. Small 22 and large bottles 50 cents.

This morning's daily New York torophic con

tains a large double-page picture of the reception of the Hon. A. R. Shepherd at his magnificent resi-dence last Monday evening. Leonard E. Philpott died in Gairgetown. consumption, last Thur day, in his sixty fight year. He was a native of Prince George's county, Maryland, but had livedlin Georgetown nearly withholds.

Officers of State associations, concerts, and dra matic clubs should examine Tallmadge hall be

Advertisements can be inserted at the lowest standard rates in any city or country newspaper in the United States at Max. Cohen's Newspaper Advertising Agency and Printing Bureau, 930 F street northwest, Tallmadge block. A number of furnished rooms throughout the

appropriate head, or allne in the Husiness Di-rectory in The Elvinota as will meet the eye of many who will not ree the label "for rent" on the door. city are for rent. An advertisement under the The pupils of Female latermediateses of N

At a regular saccing of Daniel's Hand Lodge

No. 1, 1, 0, old T. held at Balston, Alexandria county, Vo., Tuesday evening, the lat in dan, the following one or nearlied: A. G. H. yes, W. C. T. Fannie Sypherd, W. V. T. James E. Glementy, W. S. Mollie Wallare, W. F. S.; G. H. Mortimore, W. T.: Benjamin Spreye, W. C. ters for the last quarter showed the Lodge to in a flourishing condition.

Hev. John W. Hoover, who since the year 1844 had been an estimable, useful and realous minister of the Baltimore annual conference of minister of the Baltimore annual conference of the M. E. Church, died at his residence in this city Thursday morains, after a protracted pul-monary disease. Intil the last rew years Mr. Hoover filled various important appointments under the conference, and closed his ministerial work as the first pastor of "Hamline church," in the northern section of Washington. His health failing, he was appointed to a clerkship in the Post Office Department. His foneral will take place from Hamline church at 2 o'clock this at-ternoon.

Philosophical Club-Judge L. W. Case will deliver the opening address before this club on Sunday at 4 o'clock p. m., at Lyceum hall, on "The Dangers which Be-set the Republic." This club is composed of ad-vanced thinkers of both sexes, and is ready and walling to investigate carefully and patiently everything in the direction of progress. Judge Case is a cattivated mind and an accomplished reasoner. Those who attend will be well compensated for their trouble. Admiration to the directions of this clot is free, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Arrest of a Trunk Thief.

About a year ago a trunk belonging to a gen-tleman of Washington named Cavers was stolen from Ricclintock's express culcs, at the Baltimore and Ohio rathroad depot. No trace of the property could be found, and, as the contents of the trunk were quite valuable, the owner recovered \$150 from the express company. Detec covered \$150 from the express company. Detectives Net-Hirch and Coomes received information a few days ago from Mr. Koonts, of the Baltimore and Ohio rationed, and Mr. J. N. McClintock, which led them to arrest a man named Honry Johnson, who had the trunk in his possession, and was endeavoring to negotiate it with Mr. Cavers for \$160. J. linson is a professional hotel and trunk thef, and it supposed to be the man who stole eight or nite trunks, about two years ago. From the trunks, about two years ago. from the Grand Central hotel, of New York,

An Audscious Tramp and a Just' Sentence About two o'clock yesterday morning, as Mr. Baniel Turner was passing the corner of Eleventh and C streets northwest, one of these mechanical-moving, [blear eyed tramps who move in an atmosphere of their own, composed of the fumes of had whisky and worse garlie, named Jas. Taylor. approached him and naked for a dollar. Turner refused to advance the dollar, but offered Turner refused to advance the dollar, but offered to plied the tramp, whisky-fames and all, to a place where he could get a night's ledging. Taylor upon this began to curse his wadulde benefisetor and dealt him a severe blow on the head, knocking him down. Officer Block heard the disturbance, and coming up, secured the beliggerent wanderer. He was yesterday sent to jail by Judge Snell for six months for assault, and need 45 for disorderly conduct.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Building Permits Issued Recently.

The following building permits were issued sesterday by Inspector Plowman:
S. S. Darsh, a two-story brick dwelling in alley between L and M and Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets northwest: \$1,200. Theo. F. McCauley, two brick stores south side Pennsylvania avenue, between Second and Third streets southeast: 8800. J. E. Gadsby, a brick store east side Twen-tieth street, between Pennsylvania avenue and I streets northwest: \$1.200. Mrs. A. Burns, a brick kitchen rorth side A. between Eighth and Ninth streets southeast; \$300. Joseph Williams, two two-story brick dwellings south side D street, between New Jersey are nue and First streets northwest; \$5,500. Francis Prott, a two-story brick
dwelling east side Sixth, between F and G
streets southwent; \$1,500. J. B. Wilson, a brick
stable north side K, between First street and
New Jersey avenue; \$400. James Barnett, two
two story and takement brick dwellings south
side M, between Highteenth and Nineteenth
streets northwest; \$2,500. Joseph Crows a twostory brick dwelling east side Second street, between Massachusetts avenue and H arrects; \$1,57.
J. M. Seale, a two-story brick dwelling north side
South Carolina avenue, between Ninth and Fench
streets southeast; \$4,600. tween New Jersey avenue and First streets north

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Births. Marriages and Deaths Within a Week. The Board of Health met at their rooms last evening, Dr. C. C. Cox, president, in the chair, The registrar of vital statistics submitted his report of births, marriages and deaths for the week ending January 29, which shows: Total deaths, 75-male, white, 20; female, 24; male, colored, 16; female, 15. Twelve deaths occurred from pneumonia, 15 from phthisis pulmonalis, diphtheris, 2; Bright's discase of the kidneys, 2 old age, 4; burn by coal oil, 1. The number of still births reported was 10, 4 white and 6 colore i. atili births reported was 10, 4 white and 6 colored. The increase of the population by births over deaths was 22, or at the rate of 10.4 per 1,000 per annum; 14.60 per cent, of the deaths were from symmotic diseases, 22.607 from constitutional, 32 from local, 0.255 from developmental, and 1.533 from violence. The rate of mortality of the white population was 10.505 per 1,000 per annum, while the mortality of the colored population was 25.522 per 1,000 for the same period. Number of births reported during the week was 107—white, 63; colored, 44. The rate of increase of the white population by births over deaths was 8.501 per 1,000, while the increase of the colored population by while the increase of the colored population. hation by births over deaths was \$301 per 1,003, while the increase of the colored population by births over deaths was 15,022 per 1,003 per anum. Deaths corresponding week 15.5, white, 47; colored, 49-total, 96. There were 11 marriages reported—1 white and 19 colored.

Mr. Marbury, from the finance committee, reported hills amounting to \$304.97, which were approved and ordered to be paid.

The board then adjourned.

VIRGINIA. Mevement to Encourage Immigration-Jon-

ference Last Night-In accordance with a resciution , the join committee on immigration of the virginia Legis lature, a number of gentle en. repressating the lestelative committee on immigration, the Virginin delegation to Contrest and the Rappahan mick and Potemac Immigration Society, met in conference iss: evening at the resisfence of Hon. Wm. Terry, No. 522 Sixth street northwest. There were present from members of the Vir-

inia Legislature, Geo. Elliott, chairm in of the Senate Immigration Committee; Hon. J. A. Cur-ter, chairman of the House Immigration Committee; Senators Hinton, Gayle, Nunn, Hairston, Marshall and Sinclair; Delegates Arthur, Clark, Swann, W. T. Taliaterro, Topham and Howard nited States Senators Johnson and Withers, o Virginia, and Representatives G. C. Walker, J. R. Tucker, G. C. Cabell, B. B. Bouglass and Wm. Terry. The Rappahannock and Potomac

Wm. Terry. The Rappanameck and Potomac Immigration Society was represented by its president. Gen. Fitshugh Lee; vice president, Charles Blason; secretary. A. Borst, and Major J. D. Rogers and A. K. Phillips; M. P. Handy, of the Richmend Enquiver; N. D. Ball, of the Alexandria Seminic; H. A. Johnston, of the Norfolk Landmark; H. H. Riddleback, of the Shenandon Democrat, and other representatives of the Virginia press were present.

Senator Johnson called the meeting to order, and upon mation Gen. Elliett was called to the chair. Mr. Borst and the representatives of the Virginia press present were chosen secretaries. Gen. Elliett betefy stated the object of the conference, which was to consider the best methods of prometing immigration to the Old Dominion, and called upon the Hon. J. E. Carter, who spoke of the great advantages and inducements that could be neld out to foreign and demestic immigration to Virginia.

of the great advantages and inducements that could be neld out to foreign and domestic immigrants to Virginia.

Gen. Lee, as the representative of the Rappa-hamsock Noclety, presented a plan for increasing the numbers of the immigrants, by sending circulars setting forth their inducements all over the world, and having agents to guide and direct chose who might wish to come.

Senator Hinton offered a resolution, which was adopted, that the chairman appoint a committee of six to propose business for the consideration of the conference, and suggestions looking to an examination for the purpose of advancing the cause of immigration.

The Chair appointed Gen. Lee, Hon. B. B. Douglas, Senator Hinton, Hon. Messre, Ulark and Talmierro and Mr. Horst.

Speeches were then made by Messrs, Douglas, Carter, Tucker, Mason, Cabell and Withers. When the committee returned Gen. Lee presented the following circular, with the recommendation of the committee that it be adopted and sent abroad to the world:

10 there interested in America and Europe: Information from various sources indicate that many persons on both continents are anxiously seeking investments that may reasonably be expected to combine security with a prospect of gails.

Their action naturally depends upon representations that hear the unmissanable impress of authority. Bloved by this consideration, we begieve to submit a few suggestions, designed to benefit them no less than our own people, and in furtherance of that object we tender such facilities as our joint efforts have been able to secure. It is not needful that we enumerate the ad-

benefit them no less than our own people, and in furtherance of that object we tender such facilities as our joint efforts have been able to secure. It is not needful that we enumerate the advantages of climate, soil, mineral resources and the manufacturing facilities and means of cheap transportation that Virginia possesses, for their general character is known as far as civilization extends. It is not needful that we remind the tourist of our ever-changing scenery, in which beauty and sublimity find their grandest realization. But it is surely pardonable that we point with fond pride to our historic shrines, which are at once a buting menament to Virginia's devotion and the nation's glory.

We hereby extend to tourists and prospecting parties a cordial invitation to come and impact in person. Welcome awaits them, and to this we will add our efforts to promote their wishes and interests in coming. Railroad tickets from Philadelphia, via Washington and Baltimore, over the principal lines of Virginia will be onsale in Philadelphia. These tickets will be good from its — to 1st —, and will be sold at —. Guide books, containing a map of the route and describ-

lat — to lat — and will be sold at — . Guide books, containing a map of the route and describ-ing places of interest, mineral localities, &c., will

e prevared.
Further information may be further by applying in person or by letter to — . at — hotel, in kew York city, until May I, and at — hotel, in hiladelphia, from that time until the 1st of No-Permanent arrangements will be made

To ______, President _______ Ratiread Company:
My Deak Sin: We bereby respectfully request
that you confer with the officers of other railroad
companies concerned, with a view of making
such rates as may be found to be practicable for
the accommodation of persons intending to visit.
Virginia during the present year, and that you
report your action to ______, theirman of the comwhich this subject has been referred committee of nine, to act as an executive committee, to represent the conference.

The report was adopted, the right of reserving
the general circular being reserved.

The Chair appointed as the executive committee, Gen. Lee, Messrs. Clark, Hinton, Gayle,
Talinstrao, Terry, Douglass and Borst.
Gen. Elliott was added to the committee at the
desire of the conference, and also Senators
Withers and Johnson.

A vac of thanks was extended to the press,
and the conference adjourned to meet at the
Metropolitan hotel at 10 octook this morning.

DISTRICT NOTES.

An Order to Suspend all Contract Work. The District Commissioners yesterday issued

the following: The following resolution having been adopted by the Senate of the United States on the 3 instant:

"Resolved, & c., That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby directed to transfer to the Treasurer of the United States, for the payment of the interest due on the 1st of February, 1876, on the bonds of said District, is sued under the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 20, 1874, entitled "An act for the government of the District of Columbia and for other purposes," the sum necessary to pay the same from any unexpended appropriation hereto-fore made by Congress, or from any revenues derived by inxation on the property of said District of Columbia, subject to the requisition of said Commissioners, excluding funds raised for the support of public schools. Provided, That any further issue of 3.65 bonds under or by virtue of said act of Congress, approved June 20, 1874, is hereby prehibited: And provided furthers. That the certineates hereinforte issued by the board of audit, including those converted in three sixty-live hundredths per centum bonds, and those which have not been so converted, and the certineates hereinforte issued by the board of audit of their successors in office, shall be part of a maintenance of the sum of \$15,000,000.

Sec. 2. That there shall be no increase in the present amount of the total indebtedness of the District of Columbia, and any officer or person who shall knowingly increase or aid or abot in increasing such total indebtedness shall be deemed guilty of a high misdemennor, and, on conviction thereo, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding ten years and by inprisonment not exceeding ten years and by i The following resolution having been adopted by the Senate of the I nited States on the Si inboths and property to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and make a report of their proceedings not hitherto made: And provided further, That this resolution shall not in any way or manner recognize the manner or liability of the United States to pay either the principal or interest of any such bends as may have been issued on or since the 11th day of January, 1876.

It is ordered, That the engineer forthwith suspend all ware of every kind belog done under contracts for which payments are eitpulated to be made in 3.05 bonds, so called, or in certificates of the beard of audit, convertible into such 3.65 bends, and immediately reduce the force in his department accordingly.

In the execution of the foregoing order, the engineer will be careful to reserve in proper terms all rights of the Commissioners of the District as successors of the Board of Public Works in contracts forfeitable, if any, for non-performance tracts forfeitable, if any, for non-performance of the same according to the terms thereof by

of the same according to the terms thereof by the contracter.

This order will not apply to the contracts for sweeping streets and avenues and cleaning alloys, which are payable in cash.

The order will, in all probability, require a re-duction of the force in the engineer's department, some two hundred and thenly, aven number, and make a monthly saving in the expenditures of nearly \$5,000.

The police, physicians and druggists to the poor received their pay yesterday for the Tourn of January.

received their pay Justician and the superior prose-january.

The water registrar continues a vigorous prose-cution of the water wasters, and in his investiga-tions recently on Capitol Hill and the eastern sec-tion of the city, where heretofore there has been complaint of scarcity produced by an extravagant use elsewhere, has found considerable waster, so much so that he has given directions to cut off

much so, that he has given directions to cut of the supply in several cases.

THE AVENUE

Dashes Over the Snow-A Happy Day.

No one would have thought that there were so many sleighs in the city as were called out by the mow yesterday. All kinds of sleighs came out with all sorts of borses, and every grade of society represented in the drivers, from the millionaire to the boot-black. Of course, the great centre of stiraction was the Avenue, and all day long the cutters dashed up and down between the Treasury and the Capital, although there was much better sieighing on the back streets. But there is no pleasure in aleigh riding unless you can be seen by others, especially when one pays \$5 or \$10 an hour for the privilege. One sleigh dashes along filled with seal skin clouds, pretty faces and bright eyes, and containing, perhaps. one man, who sits among the beauties with a well satisfied air, envied by the less fortunate of his sex plodding along the sidewark. Double sleighs sex prouding along the sidewars. Double sleighs with four norses, light sleighs with follerly wicker boxes and shambling horses hung with any number of jingling bells: pretty cutters made cory with a wealth of furs, and containing comfortable covers; old cutters with broken runners and cracked boxes, tied and patched up for service, drawn by old horses, which looked as if they had been patched up temporarily to be used while the snow lasted, and then to be left again to fail into direpair; drivers with stumpy whips, with their feet muilted in straw and their heads bound up in endless worsted comforters—everything that had a runner was out, and everybody who was lucky enough to procure a sleigh.

The hackmen looked discontolate as they stamped their feet about the corners, and presented their whips to the passers by wich the accustomed "are a lack, mister?"

Red checks and bright eyes were pientiful, and even the horses seemed to know that it was an opportunity that came but once a year, as they strained their nerves to pass the cutters in front of them. Occasionally there would be a break-down, and the street gamins would gather about the unfortunate ones with laconic ej culations of mock commisseration, and some would take hold of the sleigh, and others would gather around the horse and secompany the drivers on their rusful walk bask to the stable. The snow brought a with four norses, light sleighs with rickety wicker of the sleigh, and others would gather around the horse and accompany the drivers on their rusful walk back to the stable. The snow brought a keen and unwonted enjoyment even to the stock tarats, and all should be thankful to the snow king, even if a few goutty old fogies got their feet cold and spent the night in grumbling and heating soap-stones, and if a few old maids and fault inding matrons found a world of veration in the snow trampled in the passageways, the stiffened and joy efother-lines, and the mirth and hilarity of others.

A SESSION AT THE STATION.

MARGUS IN THE BOLD O' A PHILOSOPHER.

HE THEORIZES ON THE SUBJECT OF SHOW HOW HE TOOK OFF A HAT.

THE MAN WHO VIEWED THE STEEPLE. THE KEEPER AND THE PIOUS FRAUD.

THE JAILOR BOY IN TROUBLE.

"Marcus," said the keeper, with a thoughtful and philosophical air, "are you mindful of the fact that another week of time has passed away to the great becom of eternity, and its last lingering choes whisper prophetically in our ears, 'another Marcus uncovered his head and nodded in the

"It has been a week," continued the keeper, fraught with mutations in all the different phases of human life. Even nature, that essence of all distence, has changed. Yesterday the earth drapery ever woven by the magic looms of the tmosphere; to-morrow, in all human probability, there will be nothing remaining of all this white and elegant covering but slush, slush, slush." "And mush, mush, mush," added Marcus, in

odest, respectful voice.
"Well, if you are going to deliver this oration, oung man, I want to know it," said the keeper, se be pulled on his boots, which had been drying near the fender. "What do you know about the onstituent parts of snow,anyway?" constituent parts of snow, anyway:

Marcus put the broom gently away in the cormer, pulled down his vest, and, smiling with much
animation, replied: "Water is a compound of

oxygen and hydrogen; two measures of hydrogen gas and one of oxygen gas."
"Pint or half-bushel measures?" inquired the "Pint or half-bushel measures" inquires the keeper.

"The book don't say, but I suppose it depends on whether you want the waterhot or cold. But," continued Siarcus, "that is immaterial, for the proportion of the ingredients in weight is 88.9 parts of oxygen to il. I of hydrogen."

"Well, how about the snow?" And then the keeper looked around at the boys to see how hisrous answer would affect them.

"Well, water, by the abstraction of heat, becomes solid, or, in other words, is converted into ice or snow." At this learned reply there was a great sensa

At this learned reply there was a great sensa-tion among the prisoners, as well as among the auditors on the benches. The ruse of the keeper had worked well. He wanted to impress the boys with the great dignity that surrounded the important office held by Marcus, and he had caused Mark to cram himself on the subject for the occasion. It worked like a charm. They now looked upon Marcus as an extraordinary being, endowed with wonderful faculties of mind and varied learning.

When Marcus called out the name of John Spinerthe fellow took his hat off, bowed half way to the floor and said: "I am your humble servant."

ervant."
"It is well enough to respect Marcus." said the receper, "but I don't thick you are his humble ervant. From all that I can learn, you are the lomestic of the devil, and Marcus is not in particular the court is perab p with that gentleman, if the court is never get intexicated."
"Marcus," said the prisoner, "I admire your talents and vast resources of knowledge, but what did I ever do you that you should call me

what did I ever do you that you should call me an inebriate:"
"You have squandered," said Marcus, "over one and a half dollars since the snow fell on whithy straight alone, all of which you might have given to my missionary society and became an honorary member."
"The next five dollars I get, you shall have," said the prisoner; "and the Eve dollars you have got you had better keep to pay the fine at the Police Court," said the keeper, as he moved him one side and turned gravely to wards the next one in order. MARCUS AND THE BAT.

"Have you any objections to taking off your hat thile in the presence of the officer-in-chief of this tation house?" asked the keeper of a young man not apparently feeling very comfortable. "I object, for two reasons. In the first place, I am baid headed; in the second place, I will take cold."
"In the third place, you went do any such a
dure thing." said Marous, selsing the hat and
yerking it from the head of the prisoner. Two silk
pocket handkerchiefs, three two dollar neck ties
and four pairs of kid gloves fell from the hat and
were scattered promiscuously about the room.

The keeper looked at him sorrowfully for a
moment, and said, "Hald head, go up;" and he
went.

"Why, so pensive:" inquired the keoper, as a man with a cast in his eye and a general look of wandering away from himself in his appearance was brought forward. "That noble forew was never meant to bear the slings and arrows of outgregous fortune. Child of the Augustan age of intellectual activity, you were born for a higher than this mundane sphere, as I see in your lineaments the traces of genius suppressed, of mighty capabilities unfruited, through the adverse influences of an unappreciative world, I sorrow, for he you we might have found the grand master and leader of the world predicted by the reientits of THE MAN WHO VIEWED THE STEEPLE. you we might have found the grand master and leader of the world predicted by the relentists of our day, the grand climax of perfect co-ordination of sequences, the swayer of mankind by sheer force of intellect. Look at the unlettered millions around you who would have bent the knee in worship and adoration. Alas, for the vanity of human aspirations: Alas, for the unsympathetic masses who should have hung entranced upon every glance of those engle eyes! You are no conqueror; the world knows you not. In what direction were you bending the rathochative corrents of that matchless mind of yours when you were interrupted yesterday night on Four-and ahalf street with a string of six chickens attached to you."

were interrupicd yesterday night on Four-and a-half street with a string of six chickens attached to you."
"My Lord, hear me speak. Where are my accusers; let them be brought before me. There breathes no man who is further above the taint of suspicion than 1. What you have described me I am, a profound, earnest metaphysican; but like Byron, I have not loved the world nor the world loved me. The unlettered hinds that people this earth's globe cannot enter with me into the reaim of abstract contemplation. I was created to shine at our tenth Centennial. Last night, oppressed by the sense of the utter inadequacy of my environments to permit that expansion of my soul of which I knew myself capable, which contraction was expressed by my six by mine garret among the "upper ton," I stole out into the night and contemplated the leaning spire of the Metropolitan church. From the coigne of vantage on top a neighbor's hen coop I could take in every outline of its magnificent proportions, and as I gazed I mused metaphorically thus: This spire is the destiny of the children of men. Inch by inch the man shoots upward, adding the graces and ornaments of culture as he rises, ever pointing his course hearenward, east. men. Inch by inch the man shoots upward, adding the graces and ornaments of culture as he rises, ever pointing his course heavenward, casting off and learing behind his low associates; higher and higher he grows in beauty and symmetry, until he stands at last a miracle of perfection and seemingly a tower of strength. But a day comes anon, when he feels the biting blants of adversity, the tempest of allication is upon him, and he totters; he is drawn aside, he falls, never to hope again; for a time he is supported feebly by the companions of his prime, but"—"emough, enough, broke in the keeper; it is true you were destined to let your light shine in a world of higher intellects than ours; you ought to be an angel; you ought to go up, up, up, say for six monthe, Marcus."

A VERY PIOUS PRACE. The first impression is invariably the best, and when the keeper thought at the first glance that the man standing before him was a pious fraud he was right. "Is there any justice in this city?" said the "Is there any justice in this city" said the fraud.
"Is your name William Skinner!" said the keeper.
"Are you prepared to die:" inquired the fraud.
"What is your employment?"
I am seeking those without hope in the world,"
"And finding a drinking saloon on every corner."

"Are you aware that there is an eternity—a hereafter-with the weeping and wailing and knashing of teeth attached." "I am aware that There is a Police Court dock

There is a Police Court dock
Just nine squares away,
Where they send loafersjup
Three times a day.

And now, William Skinner, why is your wife's
face ridged and bumped in that way?"

"The world is full of wickedness, and Mary has
her share. She will insist on sewing patches on
the boys' clothes when she ought to be working
for the poor heathens away off in the benighted
regions of Africa. She might take up fire dollars
a day in collections, and—"

"You would spend it for rum. What is the
cause of those bruises on that woman's face, sir"!
demanded the kesper.

"When I try to convert anybody." said William, "they have got to come. Moral sunsion

cause of those bruises on that woman's face, sir" demanded the keeper.

"When I try to convert anybody," said William, "they have got to come. Moral suasion would not do it in her case, so—"

"You took a chair," said the keeper.

"And you don't know," continued the prisoner, "how beautifully it converted her. She got right up from where she fell and said she would do any thing in the world if I would only put down the chair. I put it down and she went down with it, and then I knew she was converted."

"I will put your name down on this card and hand it to literas, and if he sees fit to strike you with high bruins, blow you up with dynamite powder or make you walk turkey he will be justified in the eyes of the law and highly respected by this tribunal." Mark received the compliment with a grave bow, and then waiking about the prisoner for a moment caught, him suddenly by the back and pushed him into the dark entrance leading towards the "doomed cell," in the basement. For a moment there was a noise as of persons strungling for dear life, than a ranging, grating sound below, a clash, and all was still. Many of this arcus' friends presentiaried to rush to the rescue, but were intercepted by the keeper, who said, "Hold, men and boys, there is modanger likely to happen to our brave jallor boy, for truth crushed to earth shail rise again, and the right will prevail."

What happened deep down in the dark and lonely confines of that dingy place we cannot record, for the Court closed, with Marcus and the deeperate pleus frand alone in the batement. For bours after the session was over the boys lottered about the sides of the rickety old building, peering now and tien through the iron gratings of the lower walls, but discovering no trace of Marcus and the deeperate pleus frand alone, was a was a was a straking him with lighting, exploding him walls turkey, and they finding heavy late the from the rise of the pursued them all to decide whether Marcus was striking him with lighting, exploding him walls turkey, and they fin

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years.

It seemed that nature herself had favored them, since she had this morning donned her beautiful robe of snow, which those from Wisconsin's prairies loved to see, He congratulated them upon once sgain having the privilege of greeting one another, and thought it pleasant to see not only their own citizens, but also many from her sister States—Minnesota and Michigan—present. Extending to all present a heartielt welcome from the Badger State, he said he would say as they say out West—and the girls and boys would all remember it—"Let the fiddlers fire away, and let the trouble begin."

The hall was well filled, but not too crowded for dancing, and to those tripping the light fantastic there was pleaty of "elbow-room."

The committee of arrangements was composed of the fellowing gentlemen, who deserve, and doubtless received, the silent thanks of all for the satisfactory manner in which everything was carried out: William McPynoheon, R. E. Red. way, Benj. Nutc, W. N. Plunkett, A. T. Longley, E. M. Truell, E. C. Clarke and W. E. Spencer.

The gentlemen composing the reception committee west of the best beautiful to the state of the satisfactory days the same than the same transport of the same transpo hem upon once again having the privil recting one another, and thought it pleas way, Benj. Nuic, W. N. Plunkett, A. T. Longley, E. M. Truell, E. C. Clarke and W. E. Spencer. The gentlemen composing the reception committee were C. G. Heath, Hon. Arthur MacArthur, Hon. Thomas Hood, Hon. H. E. Paine, Hon. Joseph Harris, Hon. C. D. Willard and Hon. Enoch Totten. Floor committee: Messrs. Mc-Pyncheon, Town, Ball, Little, Rodway and Plunket. Besides these there were present the Misses Mollie and Cornelia Dodge, Miss Groshon, Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Dora Holston, Mrs. Cobaug, Mrs. Sharp, Mirs. Mahara, E. A. and Mrs. Lawence, Miss Dora Holston, Mrs. Cobaug, Mrs. Sharp, Mirs. Mahara, E. A. and Mrs. Luce and Miss Horris, Miss Cleumans, Miss Hull, Miss Belle Dixon, Miss Hattie Johnson, Miss Redway, Misjor and Mrs. Knox, Sonator and Mrs. Cameron, Hon. and Mrs. Charles G. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Moses, Mrs. Schara, Miss Dame, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jones, Mrs. Casey, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Royer, Miss Clarke, Miss Hohn, Mirs. Sickles, Sanator Howe, Miss Caughy, Hon. J. M. Rush and wife, Mrs. Burgess, Miss Schuttles, Miss Hopkins, Mr. Anderson, Miss Burgess, Mrs. Hurte and dozens of others.

BOATING NOTES.

Gossip from the District. "Dixie," the Washington correspondent of the Spirit of the Times, in the last issue of that paper has the following bosting notes: "Brating mat ters, which have been rather dull with us for the past four or five months, have brightened up somewhat lately. The fine weather of the past week or so has induced a large number of our venturesome boatmen to take to the water, and last Saturday afternoon there were several boat-leads going up the river. The Potomac four, Messra Coughlin, McBlair, Randall and Truax, Messra. Coughlin, McBlair, Randali and Truax, are taking advantage of every good day to indulge in a spin, so as to prepare them for the grand Centennal regatta, to take place at Philadelphia. They have been rowing together now nearly three years, and if they do not make a good showing on that occasion it will be rather strange. Since the close of the rowing season the Analostan boys have been busily engaged in fixing up their new boat house, which has been erected some three or four hundred yards down stream. It certainly is a fine affair, and reflects credit upon the gentlemen who have labored so long to hring it to a successful completion. One of the principal of the many attractive and useful teatures of this house is a parlor, which has been beautifully furnished by the lady tive and useful leatures of this house is a parlor, which has been beautifully furnished by the lady riends of the club. A magnificent plano has been placed in the bouse, and the musical portion of the members will find ample opportunity to gratify their taste in this particular. The boys of the dark blue are more determined than ever this year in their effort to wrest the championship from their neighbors across the creek, and will put forth every exertion to attain that end. The champions, the Potemac boys, have been keeping things rather lively since the rowing season for 1875 terminated.

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AMUSEMENTS. Joe Jefferson Club.

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National Theatre-Maggie Mitchell-Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather 'Lorie' drew a fine house last night. Miss Mitchell acted the title role to perfection. This afternoon for the matinee she will play Fanchon, and anything better the public do not want, and could not get if they did. Her rendition of Fanchon is a most remarkable one-remarkable in two ways: for its thorough naturalness and for the absolute identification of the character. For the time Maggie is ont of mind, and Fanchon persesses the anditor. It is the public's admiration, and is likely to be as long as she chooses to give it. Miss Mitchell will close her engagement to night, appearing as Marie, in the "Pearl of Savoy," her rendering of which is a charming piece of emotional characterization. Mr. Harris' impersonation of Landrey, in "Fanchen," and Lanstalot, in the "Pearl of Savoy," are thoroughly artistic. Ford's Opera House-"Married Life."

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